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SUBJECT.

Interpellation of Mr V. K. Ganda in the Legislative Council

PREVIOUS REFERENCES.	LATER REFERENCES.

Question VII of Meeting

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This was first noticed
a) 1905.06

(b)

(r) (c)

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The matter has been engaging the earnest consideration of Govt.

are not exhaustive. The following measures have been adopted to remedy the state of affairs

(i) Posting an extra strong detective staff

(ii) Introduction of special dram cups cylindrical in shape

(iii) Location of 2 check shops, where arrack is not measured out but sold in sealed bottles each at the Central distillery

(iv) The margin of profit has been ordered to be raised from 0-12-10 to Re 1-5-10 per gallon from 1-7-

The continuance of the phenomenon referred to is due not to short measurement or dilution, but to the peculiar conditions of the Labour population on the gold fields who get high wages

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who not only acts as agent to the
architect but is their purveyor
of all the domestic wants
and sometimes their moneylender
as well

INTERPELLATIONS

By Mr. B.K.Garudachar

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(b) If it is so, will the Government be pleased to lay down on the table the papers which led to the issue of the above order

(c) Are the Government aware that Mr. Abboy Naidu is the only Medical Officer in Mysore who has had a good training in mental diseases and that the present order prohibiting him from private practice deprives the public of Bangalore and in fact of the State of the benefit of Mr.Abboy Naidu's advice

(d) Will the Government be pleased to reconsider and revise the order referred to

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I should like to see the reply drafted for this Q. 19/6/44

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MEETING OF THE MYSORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

29th JUNE 1914

INTERPELLATIONS.

QUESTIONS.

(By Mr. B. Narasinga Rao.)

I. With reference to the answers given to questions 1 and 7 at the meeting on the 14th April last, the Government may be pleased to make a statement on the following points

(*a*) After the retrenchments were effected in the various departments noted in the statements, furnished by the Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, General and Revenue Departments, what additional expenditure has been sanctioned annually in each of those departments.

(*b*) If additional staff have been employed in those departments, what is the nature of the addition in the shape of gazetted officers, clerical establishment and menial staff

ANSWERS.

(By Dewan Bahadur Mr. J. S. Chakravarti, M.A.)

(*a*) and (*b*)—Collection of information in the form in which it is wanted by the Member will take some time. A statement will be prepared and supplied.

II. (*a*) Has the attention of the Government been drawn to an article in the "*Indian Patriot*," dated the 22nd April 1914, at page 3, (a portion of that article is culled out and published in the "*Karnataka*" in its issue dated the 25th April 1914), to the effect that the Amildar of Chikballapur kept nine persons in lock-up for nine months without enquiry and they were tried and discharged afterwards?

(*b*) Are the said allegations substantially true?

(By Rajamantrapravina Mr. H. V. Nanjundayya, M.A., M.L., C.I.E.)

(*a*) Government have now perused the articles in question.

(*b*) Seven accused persons—not 9 as published in the papers—were arrested by the Police on various dates in May 1913 and placed before the Amildar Magistrate of Chikballapur for trial on the 9th June 1913. On 29th January 1914 the Magistrate convicted five of the accused under Section 457—109, 456 or 411 and 411, Indian Penal Code, and sentenced them to imprisonment and fine and discharged the other two. The conviction and sentence passed on the five accused were set aside on appeal by the District Magistrate on 9th March 1914 on the ground of irregularity in the trial.

QUESTIONS.	*ANSWERS.*
(By Mr. Narasinga Rao—*contd.*)	
(*c*) If so, will the Government be pleased to state what action has been taken in regard to the conduct of the officer responsible for the detention of nine persons, for a period of nine months, without enquiry?	(*c*) The records of the case have recently been examined by the Chief Court as to the correctness of the final order; but they saw no reason to take any special notice of the case.
III. Will the Government be pleased to make a statement on the following:—	**(By Dewan Bahadur Mr. J. S. Chakravarti, M.A.)**
(*a*) What are all the Government offices and schools held in private buildings in Bangalore?	(*a*) and (*b*)—Two statements giving the necessary particulars are laid on the table.
(*b*) What rent is being paid for those buildings every month and since how long?	
(*c*) How many bungalows or buildings in Bangalore, belonging to Government, remain unoccupied?	(*c*) No Government buildings remain unoccupied.
(By Mr. B. Venkatashamanna, B.A., B.L.)	
IV. That the Government be pleased to state—	**(By Mr. M. Kantaraj Urs, B.A., C.S.I.)**
(*a*) the distinction that underlies the division of tanks under major and minor heads	(*a*) Major tanks are those yielding a revenue of over Rs. 300 a year and the rest, *i.e.*, those yielding a revenue of Rs. 300 and less, are designated minor tanks.
(*b*) the number of major and minor tanks, constructed, repaired or otherwise improved during the last five years;	(*b*) A statement giving the information is placed on the Council table.
(*c*) the area estimated to be brought under cultivation under major tanks and the actual area of land under cultivation now and	(*c*) The information is not readily available and it will take much time and trouble to compile it. Government do not think that any useful purpose will be served by collecting the elaborate statistics required. If this information is required for any particular tanks, every endeavour will be made to furnish it.
(*d*) the number of minor tanks whose repairs or improvements had to be suspended for want of funds during those abovesaid five years.	(*d*) It is difficult to answer this question without elaborate enquiries.
V. That the Government be pleased to state:—	**(By Mr. M. Kantaraj Urs, B.A., C.S.I.)**
(*a*) the amount that has been given, for the improvement of the Cities of Bangalore and Mysore, during the last ten years from the State revenue; and	(*a*) and (*b*)—A statement giving the available information is laid on the Council table.
(*b*) the amount that has been granted to other District Headquarters during the same period for their improvement.	

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(*c*) Have the Government thought of remedying this unsatisfactory state of things?

(By Mr. S. Venkatesiah, B.A., B.L.)

VIII. (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state what progress has been made with regard to the proposal of a Railway from Hassan to Mangalore?

(*b*) Will the Government, before final action, be pleased to consider the advisability of adopting the metre gauge for the line?

ANSWERS.

(By Mr. M. Kantaraj Urs, B.A., C.S.I.)

(*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) Government do not consider it expedient to lay the papers on the table. A copy of the Government order is however furnished.

(*c*) There are other officers in service who have practical experience in the treatment of mental diseases.

(*d*) Government do not see at present sufficient reason to reconsider the order.

(By Mr. M. Kantaraj Urs, B. A., C.S.I.)

(*a*) This was first noticed in 1905-06.

(*b*) Special measures are in force in the area concerned for the prevention of fraud such as (1) a strong detective force, (2) introduction of special dram cups calculated to render short measurement difficult and (3) location of two check shops for selling arrack in bottles sealed in the Central Distillery.

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(*c*) The remedy lies chiefly with the contractors. The matter has, however, been engaging the consideration of Government.

(By Rajamantrapravina Mr. H. V. Nanjundayya, M.A. M.L., C.I.E.)

(*a*) The proposal is under correspon dence with the Government of India.

(*b*) The question is under the consi deration of Government.

QUESTIONS.

XI. (*a*) Are the Government aware that in the Revenue Courts and offices, suits, appeals and miscellaneous applications and darkhasts take an inordinate length of time for disposal ?

(*b*) To avoid this proverbial delay and to exercise a check on the growing tendency to delay revenue proceedings, will the Government be pleased to consider the advisability of fixing varying periods for the disposal of revenue cases, as is the case in judicial matters and of insisting on the furnishing of periodical returns of cases with explanations for delay ?

ANSWERS.

(By Mr. M. Kantaraj Urs, B.A., C.S.I.)

(*a*) If the member will kindly specify instances, inquiries will be made by Government.

(*b*) Certain checks already exist against delay in the disposal of revenue business. The matter is receiving the further consideration of Government.

STATEMENT.

Question III (a) & (b).

The Government offices in Bangalore at present held in private buildings are 16 in number on an aggregate monthly rental of Rs. 1,500 and they are :—

Name of Office	Monthly rent	From what period
	Rs.	
1. Office of the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore	150	1st May 1906.
2. Office of the Inspector-General of Police in Mysore ...	80	December 1901.
3. Office of the Inspecter-General of Education in Mysore ...	125	1906.
4. Office of the Inspecting officers of Schools	100	January 1913.
5. Office of the Conservator of Forests in Mysore	90	24th April 1901
6. Office of the Excise Commissioner in Mysore	100	8th March 1911.
7. Office of the Secretary to Government for Railways ...	85	20th December 1913.
8. Office of the Engineer-in-Chief, State Railway Construction Department.	120	17th November 1913.
9. Office of the Executive Engineer, Bowringpet-Kolar Line ...	100	1st June 1914.
10. Office of the Chief Commandant	150	24th April 1909.
11. Office of the Superintendent of Archæology	50	January 1888.
12. Office of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies	50	September 1905.
13. Office of the Director of Industries and Commerce ...	160	2nd July 1912.
14. Office of the Sanitary Engineer	45	February 1914.
15. Office of the Superintendent, City Distribution	20	1st July 1911.
16. Office of the Superintendent, Revenue Survey	75	The formation of the Survey Dept.

The following schools are held in rented buildings in Bangalore.

Name of School	Monthly rent	From what period
	Rs.	
1. Anglo-Vernacular School, Malleswaram	20	1900.
2. Anglo-Hindustani School, Bangalore	30	October 1912.
3. Kannada Boys' School, Basavangudi	20	1900.
4. Do do Upparhalli	10	
5. Hindustani Boys' School, Taramandelpet	3	
6. Do do Mavalli	5	
7. Do do Kalaspalya	5	September 1911.
8. Kannada Girls' School, Bangalore	50	Last year.
9. Arya Balika Patasala ,, ...	60	
10. Government Girls' School, Chamarajpet	35	
11. Government Kannada Girls' School, Malleswaram Extension ...	25	1900.
12. Hindustani Girls' School, Bangalore	20	
13. Do do Mavalli	5	
14. The Educational Museum (held in Sir Seshadri Iyer Memorial Hall).	250	15th September 1909.

STATEMENT

Question IV (b)

The number of major and minor tanks, constructed, repaired or otherwise improved during the last five years is as noted below

Year	Number of tanks restored or repaired.	
	Major	Minor
1908-09	303	566
1909-10	335	470
1910-11	358	477
1911-12	414	473
1912-13	410	393

Vide Revenue Administration Reports.

STATEMENT.

Question V.

Statement furnishing information regarding grants made from the State Funds for the improvement of District Headquarter towns during the last ten years (1903-04 to 1912-13).

NAME OF TOWN	YEARS										TOTAL	REMARKS
	1903-04	1904-05	1905-06	1906-07	1907-08	1908-09	1909-10	1910-11	1911-12	1912-13		
Bangalore—												
1. Works carried out from the State Funds by the P. W. D. ...	...	1,50,793	1,18,728	94,019	92,017	62,087	74,247	50,154	80,328	28,000 nearly	7,50,373	
2. Other grants	...	...	(a) 5,000	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	(a) 5,000	(a) For road repairs during H. E. the Viceroy's visit.
Mysore—												
1. Works carried out from the State Funds by the P. W. D. ...	3,00,000	3,31,000	3,00,000	3,82,710	2,17,920	2,29,734	2,72,758	2,60,000	2,33,019	47,238	25,74,379	
2. Other grants	...	...	(a) 12,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12,000	
Kolar	11,241 (a)	...	(b) 24,215	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35,456	(a) On account of improvement of water-supply. (b) Balance of loan granted on account of water-supply remitted.
Tumkur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Hassan	...	(a) 4,000	(a) 3,000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,000	(a) For sanitary improver
Shimoga—												
1. Works carried out from the State Funds by the P. W. D. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(a) 35,190	...	...	35,190	(a) The amount is the expenditure incurred during 3 years on account of water-supply.
2. Other grants...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(b) 25,864	...	...	25,864	(b) The amount is the expenditure incurred during 3 years on account of drainage.
Chikmagalur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(a) 40,000	40,000	(a) Estimated cost of improvement of water-supply promised by Government.
Chitaldrug	...	(a) 6,978	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	(b) 9,297	16,275	(a) For Memorial Hall. (b) Balance of loan granted on account of water-supply remitted.